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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Conrad, *et al.*  
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FOR : METHODS FOR DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE, SUCH AS  
INSULIN DEPENDENT DIABETES MELLITUS, INVOLVING RETROVIRAL  
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- ☒ Amendment and Response (6 pgs.);
- ☒ Request for Extension of time (1 pg.);
- ☒ Check No. 16968 in the amount of \$55.00; and
- ☒ Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 23135-502. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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